

Mallards OK Bowl Game In San Diego

PITTSBURG — An invitation to play in the Nov. 22 "Mother Goose Bowl" game at San Diego has been accepted by the undefeated Pittsburg Mallards Pop Warner League football team.

Opposing them in the 7:30 p.m. contest will be the winner of a three-way playoff for the San Diego County championship.

This marks the fourth consecutive year that the Mallards have been invited to play in a post-season "bowl" game. They won 16-0 over Redding in 1961; 32-0 over Salt Lake City in 1962, and 33-0 over Mayfair AC of Pennsylvania in last year's "Disney Bowl" game at Philadelphia.

The Mallards have been defeated only once in 33 games since the team was organized in 1960, outscoring their opponents 179-6 during that span.

Mallards

Fight for U.S. Title

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In Pittsburg, the biggest bowl game of them all will be played next week in Philadelphia.

Pittsburg, the West Contra Costa County industrial capital, is sending a club East that it thinks is the best in the country pound for pound, the Pittsburg Mallards.

The Mallards are a group of 12 to 14-year-olds who play Pop Warner football and who have gone all the way to the top—the Pop Warner East-West Bowl.

A composite score on the Mallard season against eight Northern California opponents looks like this:

Pittsburg Mallards 331, the Other Guys ZERO.

Better than a point a minute for their 10-minute quarters, and an absolute defense that held all opponents to a minus 142 yards.

Small wonder they've earned

Mallards in Washington

Pittsburg's Mallards have been invited to visit and tour the White House next week prior to the East-West Bowl Pop Warner League playoff game in Philadelphia. They fly from Oakland Sunday and land in Washington the following morning.

this one-week trip and a berth in the National Championship Pop Warner game—a Thanksgiving Holiday bowl clash Nov. 29 with the Mayfair Athletic Club of Philadelphia.

They've crushed Oakland, Sacramento, Santa Clara, West Contra Costa, Pleasant Hill, Vallejo, LaMorinda and Concord locally and now go 3,000 miles to get one more.

Under Coach Jim (Smiley) Camitz, a Pittsburg High School teammate of heralded John Henry Johnson, now of the Pittsburg Steelers, the Mallards have lost only one game while winning 24 in three years.

The lone setback was at the hands of the Oakland Dynamites, 13-7, last season.

The Mallards will fly out Sunday on a World Airways plane

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for their date with the best in the East, courtesy of the Edward J. Daly Foundation. Daly is president of World Airways.

Sunday night, the Mallards and alumni covering three seasons since the youth club was organized by Camitz, depart for Washington, D.C. after a civic parade and sendoff.

Assembly Majority Leader Jerome Waldie (D-Antioch) and Mayor Leo Hosier head the list of dignitaries honoring the youths whose ages run from 12 through 14 years old.

This is the first time that a Pop Warner club from Northern California has travelled East for a post-season bowl game.

Camitz and staff coaches Kenny Smith and Bruce Pekari are reluctant to single out individual stars on the Pittsburgh youth team, but statistics are not to be denied.

The Mallards scored 49 touchdowns and Carlos Harris, who alternated at flanker and halfback, accounted for 17 of them. Quarterback Nick Aiello provided field leadership, ball handling and passing that netted 1975 yards by land and air in a backfield that included Fullback Bob Crowe and Halfback Jerry Lawrence.

But the record in which the Mallards pride themselves most is that minus 142 yards for the combined opposition in eight games.

"That's something 33 kids had a hand in all the way," Camitz pointed out.

Mallards Beat Warner Foes, 33-0, Capture U.S. Title

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Pittsburg's Mallards, unbeaten, untied and unscored on for the complete nine-game season, flew back to Oakland today the mythical national champions of Pop Warner football.

The Mallards routed the Mayfair Athletic Club, 33-0, Friday in the 1963 Disneyland Bowl game, played in a driving rain-storm in Philadelphia.

They were immediately honored at a civic breakfast this morning in the auditorium at Pittsburg High.

Jerry Lawrence and Carlos Harris led the way as the Contra Costa County youngsters increased their seasonal output to 346 points to their nine opponents' zero.

Lawrence set up Pittsburg's initial touchdown in the opening quarter as he rambled 50 yards to the Mayfair two yard line. Late in the final quarter he raced 77 yards for a touchdown.

Harris punched over the Mallards' TD from the two in the first quarter, and scored again in the second quarter as he ran a punt 45 yards into the end zone.

Pittsburg scored in the third period by blocking a Mayfair punt, Vince Aiello grabbing the loose ball and running two yards across the goal line.

They cashed in on another break in the fourth quarter by recovering a fumble on the May-

fair 15. Four plays later Jim Lanter hit paydirt from the two yard line.

The Disneyland Bowl game pitted the best Pop Warner teams in the East and West. Boys ranging from 12 to 14 years in age made up the teams.

The victory highlighted a week-long trip for the Mallards, who visited in Washington, D.C. and the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. before going to Philadelphia.

Game scoring:

Pittsburg6	7	7	13	—33
Mayfair0	0	0	0	—0

Touchdowns — Carlos Harris (2), Aiello, Lanter, Lawrence. PAT's — LeMay, Lanter, Cardinale.